

IT IS GOOD MONEY

Two Thirds of the Bond Issue Proceeds Loaned Out.

FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST

Schmelz Bros. the Fortunate Bidders. Four Other Institutions Made Propositions. A Synopsis of Them. Other Municipal Matters.

The Finance Committee of the council decided a few days ago that there was no use in the city having a lot of money on hand without getting something for it. Accordingly they determined to ask the various bankers of the city to bid on the larger part of the money, which will be received in a day or two from the bond issue.

The bonds brought a little less than \$94,000. It will be some time before this money will be available for paying purposes, and let out at 4 per cent. \$80,000 will bring \$200 a month. The other thirty odd thousand dollars will be used in paying the sewer debts.

With this plan in mind, the committee asked for bids and last night met and looked over them. Messrs. Stone and Burcher were present. Dr. Cooper, the other member, being out of the city. All five of the city banks bid, and most of them bid high, as will be seen from the following synopsis of their offers:

Schmelz Bros.—Four per cent. interest from date of deposit, provided the \$80,000 is placed to remain undisturbed for ninety days.

City Bank—First, 3 1/2 per cent. on daily balances subject to check without notice from date of deposit, provided, however, that no interest shall be allowed unless 50 per cent. of same shall remain on deposit thirty days or longer; second, 4 per cent. on daily balances, subject to check, provided the checks shall not exceed \$20,000 per month; interest to be allowed from date of deposit, provided, however, that 66 2/3 per cent. of same shall remain thirty days or more.

First National Bank—2 per cent. on \$80,000 for thirty days; 2 1/2 per cent. for sixty days; 3 1/2 per cent. for ninety days; notice required, provided withdrawals not exceed from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Citizens & Marine Bank—First 4 per cent. if deposited for six months; thirty days notification; second, 2 1/2 per cent.; three months; thirty days notification; third, 3 per cent.; one month, "with notification."

American Exchange Bank—3 per cent., ten days after deposit; ten days notification on all deposits in excess of \$5,000.

As is seen, the bids of the City Bank and Schmelz Bros. were close. The committee, after some deliberation, decided to lend the money to Schmelz Bros., under the terms of their bid.

The condition of the city treasury is not an enviable one, but maybe some time in the sweet by and bye matters will improve. The prospect for the next two years is not a bright one, though, for very little can be done until there is a new assessment of property. Then the revenues of the city will reach a reasonable figure.

Some short time ago the council borrowed the \$18,000 from the Twenty-eighth street bridge fund. As no interest had to be paid on it, the loan represented a good stroke of financing, but this money will have to be available in a comparatively short time for the use for which it was originally intended, and arrangements will have to be made to pay it back.

At this time there is but \$2,500 left of the amount.

A large gang of men is at work on Twenty-fifth street between Lafayette and Virginia avenues putting in street railway iron. Rapid progress is being made and this cut will soon be completed.

It is probable that at the next meeting of the council its attention will again be called to the terrible condition of the streets and that steps will be taken to have the same remedied. If the streets are not put into something like proper shape before bad weather sets in they will be impassable.

MR. GALLAGHER INJURED.

Cut Up on the Philadelphia & Reading While Going to Jersey City.

Nearly two weeks ago Mr. J. F. Gallagher, foreman of the Boiler-makers' Department at the shipyard, resigned his position and went north for the purpose, it is understood, of accepting a position with the American Line shops. With him went Mr. Mike Moran.

Last night Mrs. Gallagher, living with her two children on Thirty-fourth street, received a telegram from Mr. Moran, informing her that her husband had been badly cut on the Philadelphia & Reading.

The telegram gave no details, nor did it say whether Mr. Gallagher was fatally hurt. From the tone of the dispatch it is believed that this is the case. When the office closed last night no further advice had been received by Mrs. Gallagher.

Mr. Gallagher was here for six years and was considered one of the best men in his line of business. Though but twenty-eight years old, he knew his business to a rivet, and stood high with all who knew him, being popular both with his employers and his men. It is believed that he was on his way to Jersey City when the accident occurred. There is no hint in the telegram of the nature of the accident.

Notes of the Shipyard.

El Rio was taken from under the big crane yesterday and tied up at No. 2 pier. She will go back to her berth under the crane shortly, however, to have her boilers, now ready, placed in her. In the meantime, the battleship Illinois has been placed under the crane.

The schooner Lucy Friend came out of dry dock yesterday. She had some repairs made to her bottom.

THE NEW TELEPHONE LINE.

PROSPECT FOR CONNECTION WITH RICHMOND VERY GOOD.

Enterprising Men Behind the Movement. Rights of Way and Privileges Secured.

The prospects for the location of a telephone line up the Virginia Peninsula, in order that Newport News and Richmond may be connected, are very good. In fact, it looks now as if it is a certainty, the necessary rights of way having been granted and several enterprising men having taken hold of the movement with a determination to push it along.

Among those interested in the new line are Dr. E. T. Booth, of Carter's Grove, and Mr. John Thompson. It is also understood that a number of prominent men in York, James City and Charles City counties are interested in the venture.

Dr. Booth and Mr. Thompson started out from their home in Warwick county several days ago in a buggy for the purpose of seeing the landowners between Warwick Courthouse and Richmond and obtaining their consent to the location of the line between the two places.

They met with great success, nearly every one they interviewed signing the desired waiver of rights to the land along the route proposed. They proceeded all the way to Richmond in their buggy.

The Citizens' Telephone Company some time ago contemplated extending its line from Warwick Courthouse to Richmond, but it is stated on authority that this plan has been abandoned. The new line proposes to make arrangements with the Citizens' Company whereby the two lines will make connection at Warwick Courthouse through York and James City counties to Williamsburg and then to Providence Forge.

After passing Providence Forge, the line road will be taken, and such places as Charles City Courthouse, Westover, Cur's Neck, etc., will be on their line.

Dr. Booth is the owner of a famous colonial plantation on the lower James river and his popularity and wide influence with the farmers were useful in securing the desired right of way.

The line is to be operated from the Newport News end. The object of the line is to supply service for the rural community through which it will pass and give cheaper connection between this city and Richmond.

The present rate for three minutes conversation with Richmond is twenty-five cents. When the new line is completed it will be materially reduced.

The movement to run this line will receive support in this city. The business and professional men can make good use of a phone which will give communication with all of the principal points on the Peninsula.

There is a movement on foot in York county to have the several principal places there connected by telephone and it is probable that, if this is successfully brought about, it will have connection with the new line so that another field will be put in close touch by means of the telephone.

THE WALLACE SHOWS.

A Treat in Store For Newport News Sept. 20th.

The grand Wallace Shows, which will appear in this city on the 20th instant—next Wednesday—have been received with the most enthusiastic applause at every place they have visited. The Washington Times in its account of it, has this to say:

"The great menagerie tent was, of course, a joy and a wonder to the thousands. The fifteen or more dens containing animals formed an attractive feature of the show. Inside the main tent, however, remained the great attractions of the circus and long before the hours announced for the show to begin in the afternoon and at night every seat was filled and hundreds eagerly strove for admission.

"The concert band led by C. Z. Bronson had received a lavish share of the raves were more thrilling, and every man within the tent was a boy again for the length of the program.

"The merry merry clowns managed to mingle in mischief every few moments and the old old tricks were played only to excite new laughter. The bonfire was built in the race track and was, of course, extinguished by pouring water all over the greenhorn who volunteered to save the place. The same inquisitive woman had her child stolen by a clown and the chase through the audience was as realistic as ever. All this and scores of other pranks caused laughter until the spectators tired from sheer exhaustion.

"Other especially good features in an excellent program were the Stirk family of bicycle riders, who do a "turn" which is actually entertaining after years of so-called fancy bicyclists. Eddie Pnard, the tramp cyclist, showed the possibilities of the modern wheel by doing anything he pleased with it and winding up with a hurdle race, in which he leaped over the platform. Mlle. Norada French caused a sensation by rolling to the top of a steep spiral skidway while encased in a small ball. The Ferris Wheel trapeze act by the five Vortex Sisters caused much wonder, and a dozen other clever artists attracted applause.

The bareback riders, the dancing horses, the wonderful troops of Japanese, the clever high and low wire artists the ballet of dancing girls, the educated horses, dogs and birds, the strong men and women, the comical mules, all were there and all were enjoyed. The hippodrome races were very thrilling and caused much excitement."

Millie Fifi on Monday.

"Millie Fifi" trips her way into the Newport News Opera House on Monday, September 18th, after diverting capricious and exacting New York audiences for nearly 200 nights and exciting enormous critical discussion. This bright, breezy and buoyant comedy retains all the piquancy of the French original without offending more conservative American tastes. There is good fun in "Fifi," together with some very charming touches of sentiment, most deftly brought out by Miss Pearl Evelyn as the young American girl and Mr. Edward Abeles as the volatile and debt ridden French husband. Other highlights of personal distinction contribute to the success of "Fifi" among them Miss Maud Granger, Harry Allen, Dave Davidson and Mammie Gilroy as Mlle. Fifi.

Endless variety souvenirs.

ADAMS' RACK STORE.

9-10-61

TURNED THEM AWAY

New School Buildings Inadequate to Demands Upon Them.

SPACE IS AT A PREMIUM

Eighty-One East End Children Could Not

Find Seats and Prof. Eppe Had to

Send Twenty-five Away. Attendance Larger Than Expected.

A city is growing pretty fast when it cannot find accommodations for its children in the public schools.

For a long time Newport News labored under that disadvantage. There were no real school buildings in the city, the department having to make the best of makeshifts. Consequently not nearly all of the children within the city limits could be accommodated.

The Huntington School, which provided for the employees of the shipyard, relieved the strain to a large extent, but still there were many who went untaught.

So it was that the necessity for having new school buildings of ample capacity was soon recognized and when it came to voting for bonds for their erection, the people cheerfully voted for them.

The Board of school Trustees planned for buildings which would not only accommodate the present population, but which would meet the demands of the future for several years to come.

Now it transpires that even for the first session after their completion none of the buildings are large enough. Instead of meeting the demands of the future, they do not seem to meet the demands of the present.

Upon the completion of the new schools, Mr. Huntington decided to discontinue the Huntington school, considering the object of its founding accomplished. The result was that several hundred children were immediately turned over to the public schools.

In addition to these, there were the numerous ones who could not be accommodated in the city schools during past sessions, and these flocked out at the beginning of this school year. Then there is to be accounted for the abnormally large but anticipated natural increase.

So it was that when the session opened the principals of the schools were at their wit's ends to know how to place the children and where to put them. The new schools which were to have met the demands of the future, were crowded on the first day. During the three following days, pupils continued to pour in until finally the principals had to confess unwillingly that there was not enough room for them.

Over in East End Professor Jeffress actually enrolled eighty-one more pupils than the school could accommodate and these he has been compelled to send away. Not only that, but he has been compelled to divide the fourth grade into halves, one section attending in the morning and the other in the afternoon.

Professor Eppe turned away thirty-one, but afterwards found room for six more pupils and took that number back. Over at the colored school Professor Lee is puzzled to know what to do with the swarm of pupils he has on his hands.

It is popularly held that the fault is not in the buildings, which are generally considered large enough; but it is considered that there ought to be more schools distributed over the city. This, indeed, is the only solution of the problem, and it is only a question of a short time when more schools will have to be built.

The city is not in a position to do this now, and even if it were, would not be able to provide teachers, as there is already a lack of funds. Three more teachers were asked for by the principals this session that the board could give them.

It may be that before long the city will again find itself compelled to resort to makeshifts.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mr. E. C. Knapp, press agent for the Wallace Shows, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Lillian Daniel, of Prince George county, is the guest of Mrs. T. A. Mitchell, on Orcutt avenue.

Mrs. O. G. Derring has returned from a month's visit to her parents in Prince George county.

Mr. Ashby Turner has returned from a ten days' vacation spent in the vicinity of Richmond.

Mr. Roane Christian left yesterday for Smith College.

Mr. S. J. Savage is critically ill at his home on Twenty-fifth street.

Mrs. James Monroe, of Richmond, who has been visiting Mrs. Jefferson, in East End, left Wednesday for Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Willett and daughter, Alene, have returned from an extended visit to Thousand Islands and New York State. They have been away three weeks.

Miss Eva Savage has returned from a visit to Cape Charles. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. R. A. Parsons, and Mrs. C. P. Savage, of that place.

Mr. Charles Parker, of Washington, is visiting his father, Mr. H. E. Parker, general superintendent of terminals of the Chesapeake & Ohio. He went to Washington some months ago to accept a position in the Southern Railway offices, which he still holds.

Will Open for Business.

The city market, the latest enterprise, backed by Mr. F. F. Finch, the banker, will open for business Saturday October 7th.

Mr. W. I. Fitzsimmons has charge of the market and will have the renting of all of the stall. It is understood that a number of outside business men, as well as local merchants, will take stalls in time to be represented in the market at the opening.

The market is located at the corner of Lafayette avenue and Thirty-first street. The city some time ago notified Mr. Finch that he could not erect any part of a frame structure within 100 feet of Lafayette avenue, according to the building ordinance, but the market is almost completed and it will be opened on the above date.

The Last Days of Mugler's Great Sale

Of ladies' shoes and Oxfords is now approaching the end.

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100 pairs of Ladies' Shoes, sizes 3, 4 and 5. Shoes worth \$1.50 for 75c.
50 pairs of Oxfords, Black and Tan, all sizes, worth \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 for \$1.25.
50 pairs of Boys' Shoes, sizes 3 to 5 1/2, worth \$1.50 and \$2.00 for \$1.15.

We have also put on sale for this week two dozen men's Stiff Hats, good shapes and color, but not the extreme styles. Hat worth \$2.00 and \$2.50 for \$1.25.
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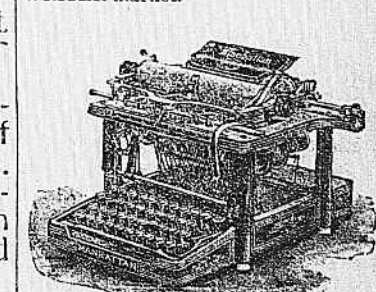
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